

## General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 6934

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LCO No. 4344

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Introduced by: (PS)

## AN ACT CONCERNING A PROHIBITION ON WAGERING ON CREDIT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 12-574 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- (a) No person or business organization may conduct a meeting at which racing or the exhibition of jai alai is permitted for any stake, purse or reward or operate the off-track betting system unless such person or business organization is licensed as an association licensee by the board. No such licensee shall permit any form of wagering on credit prohibited by chapter 924. Any such licensee authorized to
- 9 conduct a meeting or operate the off-track betting system shall
- 10 indemnify and save harmless the state of Connecticut against any and
- 11 all actions, claims, and demands of whatever kind or nature which the
- 12 state may sustain or incur by reason or in consequence of issuing such
- 13 license.
- Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 12-813 of the general statutes is
- 15 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

(a) The corporation may sell lottery tickets at any location in the state determined by the president which, in the opinion of the president, will best enhance lottery revenues, except that no license shall be issued by the Division of Special Revenue to any person to engage in business exclusively as a lottery sales agent. Subject to the provisions of subdivision (15) of subsection (b) of section 12-806, the president may authorize compensation to such agents in such manner and amounts and subject to such limitations as [he] the president may determine if [he] the president finds such compensation is necessary to assure adequate availability of lottery tickets, provided, if such agent is a lessee of state property and [his] <u>such agent's</u> rental fee is based upon the gross receipts of [his] such agent's business conducted thereon, all receipts from the sale of such lottery tickets shall be excluded from such gross receipts for rental purposes. No such agent shall permit any form of wagering on credit prohibited by chapter 924. The president may suspend for cause any licensed agent, subject to a final determination through a hearing provided by the Division of Special Revenue.

Sec. 3. (NEW) No person operating a bingo game, selling sealed tickets, sponsoring or participating in a bazaar or raffle pursuant to the provisions of sections 7-169 to 7-186 of the general statutes, shall permit any form of wagering on credit prohibited by chapter 924 of the general statutes.

## Statement of Purpose:

To provide notice to all persons selling lottery tickets, all pari-mutuel licensees and all operators of bingo, bazaars and raffles that wagering on credit is prohibited.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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